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Re: Code of ethics General Prohibitions RS 42 1111-1121 (K) 1121 Post Employment

Louisiana Board of Ethics,

I am requesting an advisory opinion from the Louisiana Board of Ethics relative to my approaching retirement, with my first eligible date being December 17, 2015. I am the Materials Engineer Administrator at DOTD responsible for the quality assurance of materials, which involves administering engineers and technicians who are responsible for reviewing test results and performing test of various producers and/or suppliers. Currently there are over 700 producers and/or suppliers for whom we review test results and list as potential suppliers for contractors to bid on state highway contracts. Through review of test results, the materials lab verifies that the producer or supplier is capable of meeting standard specifications. The level of my position is primarily based on the engineering complexity and supervisory responsibilities that I have. In the position, I am an appointing authority and division head with supervisory responsibility for 54 classified employees at the department. My primary job function is administration of the quality assurance program for LADOTD.

I would be interested in obtaining a position as quality manager at a company that produces a product currently approved for use by contractors when bidding work for LADOTD. As quality manager for a company that produces highway materials, the position would be responsible for providing documentation that describes the product characteristics and for reporting test data to the company management and employees. Other members of the organization would use these reports or documents in communicating the quality of the product to the end user or agency. I would not be involved in any decisions regarding LADOTD, and would not have contact with LADOTD regarding the product. Further, I would not assist any new potential employer in a transaction or in an appearance in connection with a transaction, involving my former agency, DOTD, and I would not render any service on a contractual basis to DOTD for two years following the termination of his public service. I will not participate in any transaction that I participated in while a DOTD employee.

If you have any questions concerning this request I can be reached by email at [chris.abadie@la.gov](mailto:chris.abadie@la.gov) or [christopherabadie@yahoo.com](mailto:christopherabadie@yahoo.com) or on my cell phone at 225-281-0232.

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